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JAPAN RUSHES NAVAL AVIATION EXPERTS TO HER SHORES

FOREIGN INSTRUCTORS ARE ENGAGED

Astonishing Figures Show That Japs Must Be Getting Ready For Something

(NOTE—Following is the second of a series of three stories giving the result of an investigation of Japan's program of expansion. The first outlined a history of Japan's aerial progress with an outline of her future plans. Today's story gives definite figures on her corps of foreign instructors and the third and last will outline known facts regarding her aerial armament.—EDITOR'S NOTE.)

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TOKYO, June 26.—(By Special Courier to San Francisco, July 16).—The last group of British naval aviation experts who are training Japan's new naval aviation section, arrived in Japan in June, 1921.

Due to the fact that all of the men have come in small groups, and that all are stationed at outlying posts, it is impossible to say the exact number that have arrived, and no definite information available as to whether or not the last group has finally gotten here. Figures available show that there are 24 naval aviation experts from Great Britain here, certainly, that there are probably more and possibly as many as 70 or 80.

MORE AKE COMING.
There is reason to believe that, despite announcements that the time a group has recently arrived, that it is the last, there are approximately 10 more now enroute to Japan.
The new arrivals in each case have, of course, been cordially received by officers of the imperial Japanese navy and have been lodged in the beautiful Kaitaku Hotel, by the Pacific Ocean, at Hamamatsu. Subsequently some of them have been stationed at other places where they have proceeded to their work of building and of instructing the Japanese navy.

Prior to the time of their arrival, one Frenchman, left over from another commission, whose duties were in aviation only, was here receiving \$500 monthly and in addition was given a house, and lot free. This man is still in Japan.

This gives some idea of what the British ex-service men may be receiving, but no exact figures on their salaries are available. It is entirely safe to say, that the entire budget for building, salaries and other necessary works in connection with this tremendously big undertaking is costing the Japanese government a sum which a few years ago would have seemed utterly impossible.

HOW THEY ARE DISTRIBUTED.
While it is impossible to tell just exactly how many men are stationed here, some idea of the distribution may be had from the following table of arrivals:

Prior 1921—Four Frenchmen employed by army.
Two Germans, Hofelsen and Schwaen, employed at Kawanishi, Kobe, building aviation motors.
November, 1920—Twelve British experts known here, sent by British firm of Vickers & Company. Rumored here.

Six experts employed at Oppama, aviation branch of Yokosuka naval yards.
Nine British experts employed at Nagoya works of Mitsubishi company, building aeroplanes and motors.

April 23, 1921—Eighteen arrive.
May 9, 1921—Six arrive.
June 3, 1921—Eight arrive.
June 9, 1921—Three arrive.

The list of those who have arrived is announced as 25, but the figures herewith and other public announcements show there are at least 69 of them and probably nearer 80.

Reports thus far indicate that the British instructors aided by their long experience, will so improve the Japanese imperial navy's aviation section that it will be a formidable war machine long before the desired time.

BANDITS GET MAIL POUCH AT HOUSTON

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)
HOUSTON, Tex., July 16.—Postal officials are checking their records today to ascertain the contents of a registered mail pouch taken in a daring hold-up at the Grand Central station here by three masked and heavily armed bandits. The robbery occurred while the mail car, one of train No. 17, Houston & Texas Central, stood at the station about 10 o'clock Friday night. The bandits also obtained a common mail pouch, but it is not believed to have contained anything of value. The registered pouch, it is said, contained a shipment of currency, the value of which probably will run into thousands of dollars.

Wheaton Boomed For State Office

Lake County Clerk is Mentioned for Nomination Secretary of State.

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
CROWN POINT, Ind., July 16.—According to the Rensselaer Republican the name of Herbert L. Wheaton of Crown Point is being mentioned frequently among candidates for the secretary of state and mentioned and already his friends are organizing in his behalf. Clarence P. Tate of Crown Point was in Rensselaer on Monday and stated Wheaton's nomination would meet with the general approval of all Lake county citizens. Mr. Wheaton has been clerk of Lake county for the past two terms and during his tenure of office has discharged his duties faithfully and efficiently.

SWIMMER SHOT AT WHITING BY POLICE

Andrew Serencik, aged 16, Gets Bullet in Neck After a Dive Off Pier.

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
WHITING, Ind., July 16.—A bullet fired by a policeman at target practice lodged in the neck of a swimmer in Lake Michigan yesterday.

Andrew Serencik, 16 years of age, 203 11th street, dove off the pier of the Standard Oil company for a frolic in the water with friends. As he came to the surface he was struck by a shot. The other boys carried Serencik ashore and an investigation began. For over an hour the shooting was a mystery. Finally the police provided the solution, declaring Andy had been hit by a wild shot on their shooting range. At the South Chicago hospital it was stated today he would recover.

The place where Serencik was swimming is not a public bathing beach.

CRAIG CALLS CABINET MEMBERS

Ulster Premier is Considering Sinn Fein Proposals Today.

BY NEWTON C. PARKE
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE)
LONDON, July 16.—Leading members of the cabinet of the Ulster government arrived here today in response to a summons from Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier and immediately took under consideration the Sinn Fein proposals that had been communicated to Premier Lloyd George by Eamon DeValera, "President of the Irish republic."

It was admitted there may be some hitch if the Unionists are obdurate against accepting DeValera's conditions, but it was reported Lloyd George was ready to "use more than persuasion" on the Unionists to prevent them from breaking up the peace negotiations.

Officials believe it is unlikely that James Craig will meet the premier again Monday when the latter renews his peace conversations with DeValera.

The Chronicle believes the conversations between Premier Lloyd George and DeValera will be continued Monday and Tuesday and possibly Wednesday. DeValera, according to the Chronicle, will probably return to Dublin about the middle of next week to obtain the consent of Dail Eireann before meeting Sir James Craig. If Dail Eireann consents then the scheme will be set for a general parley with DeValera and his colleagues representing the republicans, Sir James Craig and his colleagues and Premier Lloyd George with two other officials representing England and the British government.

The impression has gained strength here that DeValera is the real voice of Ireland.

WHITING WATER USERS SHOULD DRAW RESERVE

(SPECIAL TO THE TIMES)
WHITING, Ind., July 16.—Residents of Whiting who know that they will need water tomorrow morning between the hours of 4 and 6 o'clock had better draw a reserve supply tonight before retiring. The water will be shut off during that time Sunday morning. Repairs on the power line to the electric pumping station are necessary and the Northern Indiana Gas & Electric Co. selected these hours for doing the work as least likely to inconvenience the public.

URGED TO NATURALIZE

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., July 16.—Delegates to the convention of District No. 1, United Mine Workers, yesterday adopted resolutions urging all foreign miners in Indiana to obtain naturalization papers.

SMOOTHING PATH FOR TARIFF BILL

The Old Steam Roller Polished Up and Ready For Action

BY A. O. HAYWARD
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE)
WASHINGTON, July 16.—The old steam roller was brought out today, polished up and made ready for the task of smoothing the way for passage of the Fordney tariff bill.

House republican leaders gave warning that dissatisfied republicans and democrats who are opposed to the bill are to be given no opportunity to make drastic changes and delay its passage as planned by the ways and means committee.

The bill will not be thrown open by reading of paragraphs for general debate on items, and only the committee amendments and specified paragraphs are coming to a separate house vote. Only such changes as the ways and means committee desires will be made in the house.

Following adoption by the house of a 15 per cent ad valorem duty on hides, Chairman Forney called up today the dye-stuffs section of the bill with the announcement that because of division in the committee of the plan provided to limit the importation of German dyes, it had been decided to let the house decide the character of legislation.

TWO STEEL PLANTS GET PRECEDENT

A new precedent in the history of the local industrial world has been established by the Republic Iron and Steel company and the Interstate Iron and Steel company of East Chicago, in setting the basic rate of common labor at 30 cents in the steel industry for the middle west. On July 1, the 30 cent rate went into effect at the Interstate Iron and Steel plant, and today the Republic Iron and Steel announced that this same rate was adopted as of July.

STEEL TAKING LEAD.
Probably the most notable development towards pre-war basis in steel prices is the initial steps taken by two companies of the Calumet region. Heretofore, it has been the practice of the independents to follow the action of the corporation, but slow buying, non-production with sharp competition has caused the independents to shape their own policy.

BACK TO PRE-WAR BASIS.
Depreciation in iron and steel values is the most important commercial fact now confronting the people of the United States. This because of the universal use of this class of commodities. The United States produces more iron than any two of its competitors, and by so much are we becoming impoverished by comparison with those other countries if we are to judge our wealth merely by market quotations.

HAMMOND GIRLS PRETTIER, SAYS BUSINESS MAN

To begin with D. B. Semco has a wife and a good situation and intends to keep both. Therefore this is not to be construed into an invitation to call—except on business.

Mr. Semco, who is the manager of the Lion Store Furniture department has just returned from Grand Rapids. "I could not help but notice how much better looking the women are in Hammond than in Grand Rapids," said Semco. "They have more style and wear better clothes. In fact there is more class to Hammond women than in any city of the size I have ever seen. The Hammond men are also better dressed and have more go-get-and-go than the natives of Grand Rapids."

"It is a good thing for us to make comparisons of this kind. When you are in the loop in Chicago the next time look the people over carefully and you will note that the majority of the women are married and have neither police nor class. The men are not so well dressed on a whole as they are in our town."

The Lake Boat "Dickie" arrived here yesterday afternoon with a load of stone. Thursday, the "E. H. Gary" arrived in the Gary harbor with a load of limestone and Calite and the boat "E. C. Collins" came in with a cargo of ore from Lake Superior.

Did You Hear That

MAJOR ALFRED JONES of Col. Walter Riley's staff is on a vacation.

C. H. DIESSEN of East Chicago has opened a sign shop at 77 State street.

JUDGE KLOTZ being absent, George Eder will act as special judge for a while in the Hammond city court.

The summer number of the Hammond Temulac, the school publication appears off the presses today and is a new little sheet.

J. ARTHUR DAVIS leads a ten piece orchestra that plays every Sunday morning at the First Methodist church during Sunday school.

THE quiet place in the Calumet region for the last couple of weeks has been the West Hammond police station. Nothing doing a tail.

CHIEF AUSTEN is vacationing at Lake Manitowish near Rochester, Indiana for a while. He expects to catch fish rather than crooks on this trip.

DICK WINCKLER's family are mourning the loss of a clever Boston bull pup which became overheated and got in the water to an untimely end.

E. N. BUNNELL was chaperon for a personally conducted party of guests on an auto trip to the points of interest in the region Thursday evening.

AUDITOR G. M. FOLAND slips a post card from Rockport, Ind., where he is taking the rest cure. "Should shoot a 44 after a few days' rest here," he writes.

REFEREE Harry C. Sheridan of Frankfort was in Hammond yesterday afternoon holding hearings in several bankruptcy matters in the federal court.

THOSE who require plenty of water for their weekly immersion can't get it in the bath tub may travel to the Hammond beach tomorrow and get all they want.

WAR on unmuzzled dogs has begun. Seven of them fell to the rifles of Officers Hart and Erlenbaugh Friday a. m. and another bunch were put out of business this morning.

TRUCKS and other commercial vehicles are required to have a mirror which shows the road to the rear, on the drivers side of the machine. Violators will be prosecuted.

LATEST post card from Frank MacLinac Island, Mich., on Tuesday. He's taking in Sugar Loaf Rock and all of those points of interest.

CURRENT rumor has it that Gene Carroll, the State street jeweler and optometrist, better known to his friends as "Bunk," will take unto himself a blushing bride sometime before the end of this month.

RICHMOND ROTARIES took 139 pupils in the city schools an auto ride for the first time they had ever been inside of a "Bunk" car. How many Hammond children have never been in a machine?

WHAT happened to that enterprising advertising company which closed a contract with the city whereby it was to pay \$1 each for the privilege of placing numerous and handsome concrete benches in the parks and at corners where cars stop?

ED. KROER of the U. S. Employment office in Hammond has received a call for harvest hands in the west. Harvest has already started in Oklahoma and will move steadily northward from now on. The standard wage is \$4 per day and board.

THE Emery brothers are upon us. Jim, the artist, is here from New York and John, the real estate man, arrived today from Cedar Rapids. Dave met them at the depot. He is taking them to his cottage at Lake Maxinkuske.

JUST to give you an idea of the amount of kydak snap-shooting that goes on you might be interested to learn that the Colonial and Millikan sporting goods stores took in close to 1,500 roll films and film packs in development Monday.

WHEN a Chicago man is arrested for speeding, the inevitable kick is registered from the Hammond cops have it in for Illinois drivers. The truth is, the Illinois men think they can get away with murder in Hammond, and take this means of defending themselves when caught.

AGITATORS are at work organizing the Hammond Soviet of the water bolshaviki since Czar George Blockie of the water department announced he would put bicycle copsacks on the streets shutting off the water of violators of sprinkling rules. Nominations for president are in order.

HUNDREDS of union labor delegates will be guests of Hammond labor unions the week of August 29. The state building trades holds its convention here Monday and Tuesday, August 29 and 30, and the state federation of labor will be in session the first, second and third of September. Hank Gabler and Carl Mullen are arranging for the entertainment.

JAMES A. ARMSTRONG, half owner and proprietor of the Lazardier Bros. jewelry store for seven years today became the sole owner, purchasing the other interests. He will continue the business under his own name and with the same satisfactory policy and his standard maintained since he left the road as a traveling salesman for a large wholesale jewelry house and settled in Hammond.

ROUGH STUFF AT GARY LODGE MEETING

Lively scenes were enacted at the Gary lodge hall of the Universal Negro Improvement Association and African Communities League Inc. of the World, last Sunday and Tuesday night according to testimony brought out yesterday afternoon in the course of the injunction suit on trial in Room 1 of the Hammond superior court.

President Dudley Patterson of the Gary lodge, who is seeking to have a bunch of spurious officers ousted and enjoined from holding meetings, said that Sunday evening a dance, a social affair, was to be held. Two members of the Gary police force and Bill Burns, a colored deputy constable, were on hand to see that the old fight did not flare up again. It did and the event broke up in disorder in spite of the efforts of the officers of the law.

Tuesday evening was the regular lodge night. That was the most disorderly of all. The police and Burns were there also. Patterson held his session and was interrupted by the arrival of the insurgent lodgemen.

Patterson told of the threats which were made. The insurgents demanded that he get out and let the new officers serve. When asked how the matter was settled he replied that it wasn't settled because he left the hall. "Why did you go?" he was asked.

"I looked around and saw the police were siding with the rest of the party so I decided I didn't have enough protection to stay," he replied.

It was at this session that Eliza Flowers one of the Black Cross Nurses, the ladies' auxiliary of the lodge, took her spite out on the charter and smashed the glass from the frame.

The recital of details of the rough stuff pulled at the meetings was interrupted last night when Judge Reiter adjourned court until next Wednesday morning. Although about seventy-five were sworn as witnesses, attorneys yesterday assured the court that they would not call all of them to testify on the temporary injunction hearing.

LIVELY JULY CLEARANCE SALE AT E. C. MINAS

Apparently the tide of "better days" has returned to Hammond from the appearance of the large crowds at the Edward C. Minas Co. It was the opening of the big State street store's semi-annual Clearance Sale. Enthusiastic buyers filled the store throughout the entire day and it was evident that the sale was a real one for the reason that people as far south as Lowell, Crown Point and other distant towns were seen there responding to the splendid values.

Shop folks who look upon quality as just as important a factor as the price were able to get what they wanted at this store who seem to use things in a different way.

"Everything must go," said E. C. Minas. "We've got to clear our shelves in order to make more room for the new fall merchandise. Thus, every half year we make it a practice to do this and this year people will find the Clearance Sale to their advantage more than ever before. We've taken bold steps in bringing prices to their lowest level," he continued and considering the quality of merchandise, which we always strictly adhere to, that everyone who purchases we want to be thoroughly satisfied. People are becoming to recognize the value of good merchandise more and more every day," he continued. "They study materials and workmanship more closely than ever, they want to be sure they are actually getting their money's worth. Take these women's dresses, for instance. They are offered at so low a figure, it's been over three years since we have been able to offer men's cotton hose at 10c a pair and how often are high grade shoes and oxfords for men and women priced at \$5 a pair, but we are doing it now at \$3.95 and \$4.95. And if people will only realize the importance of them it will be money in their pockets."

BUNNELL TO PICNIC HIS EMPLOYEES

Here's a warning to flivver owners of Hammond, East Chicago and Gary. If the old boat contracts a bad cough or develops a "chancey" horse" which would need expert attention from either of the Ford stations in the three cities, the treatment must be sought before next Tuesday or it will have to go over until Wednesday. E. N. Bunnell's three sales rooms and service stations will be closed next Tuesday.

Mr. Bunnell is going to show his employees a high old time down at Cedar Lake and every man-jack and woman-jill of the lot is going. The boss is going to show his appreciation of the manner in which his help has kept his business at top notch by their hearty co-operation. The stores will be closed all day.

ORGANIZE CHAPTER OF FOREIGN WAR VETERANS

Steps toward the organization of a chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars were taken at a meeting of overseas men in Room 3 of the courthouse last night. Forty-five names have been listed to date for chapter membership. The organization is to be completed next Friday evening.

It is planned to name the chapter after Edward Larson, the first Hammond and West Hammond man to be killed in action in France. All men who served on foreign soil or in foreign waters are eligible to membership. Applications for membership may be made at the office of Attorney H. E. Granger, appointed counsel for the chapter during the period of organization.

LOOK FOR NEXT MOVE FROM JAPAN

Scope of Disarmament Not Decided by Any One Nation Says U. S.

(BY HARRY L. ROGERS)
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE)
WASHINGTON, July 16.—The next move in the disarmament game is Japan's, it appeared today.

The United States, it is understood, has made answer to the Japanese inquiry concerning the scope of President Harding's suggested disarmament conference and has advised the leaders of the Oriental nation that the question of scope is one which must be decided by the conferring nations and not by the inviting nation, or any one nation.

Reports from Paris that the disarmament commission of the league of nations is apparently disposed to defer action pending the conference proposed by this nation were received with satisfaction in official circles here, for it has been suggested that Japan might express a desire to let the proposed conference go by the boards on grounds it was a member of the league of nations which has already started disarmament proceedings.

PREMIERS EXCHANGE VIEWS
Secretary of State Hughes and Ambassador Shidehara have exchanged views on the forthcoming parity and it is understood that Ambassador Shidehara has been advised that the United States has no intention of drafting the Agenda for the conference nor does it seek to force any policies upon the conferring powers.

The administration holds that the program for the conference should be outlined through negotiations between the invited powers and it is understood these negotiations are now in progress in an informal way. Inquiries which Japan has made of Great Britain and the United States have opened the way for an interchange of views, which should assure Japan that there is no attempt to force decisions on specific questions which are not of interest to all powers concerned.

WAITING FOR JAPAN'S ANSWER
Suggestions of fear from certain Japanese quarters that the United States was attempting to bring before the conference questions which Japan believes concern only Japan and the United States were not substantiated by official comment here. It was pointed out that the president has invited the Allied Powers to discuss the general principles and that only those questions which effect all of the nations can properly be laid before the conference.

Until Japan gives a final answer as to her willingness to participate in the conference, it is probable there will be no definite step forward taken in the conference matter, but that informal exchange of views will continue between the interested nations in an effort to shape the Agenda of the parity.

Formal invitations for the conference probably will be withheld pending final action by Japan. At this time the administration does not intend to increase the number of invited nations but this policy may be changed by the exchange of views with other invited governments.

HARDING PLAN BLOCKS JAPAN IN SIBERIA

Disarmament Supporters Express that Opinion It Is Reported.

(BY DUKE N. PARRY)
(STAFF CORRESPONDENT I. N. SERVICE)
TOKYO, July 15.—(Delayed)—Supporters of President Harding's proposal for a disarmament conference, expressed the opinion today such a conference would interrupt and perhaps block entirely Japanese military activity in Siberia. It is charged by political opponents of the Hara administration that Japan is illegally holding Vladivostok and other places.

While the diplomatic advisory council has announced Japan will participate in the proposed disarmament conference, such participation is opposed by some of the military leaders. They profess to see in the disarmament a serious obstacle to Japanese plans in Asia.

The American Commercial attaché who has just returned from Siberia where he investigated conditions in the Far East republic will make a personal report to Secretary of State Hughes.

The investigator refused to say just whether or not he had found that Japan is negotiating for a treaty with the Far East Republic. It was possible that the report of the Commercial attaché to the American Secretary of State may have some bearing upon the proposed disarmament and Far East conference.

Count Ozaki, leader of the disarmament movement in Japan, declared today that Japan should take part in the disarmament conference.

"We have everything to gain from such a meeting," said Count Ozaki. "I think it was a mistake, however, to invite China."

CLAUDE PALMER WITH THE CALUMET AUDIT CO

Claude D. Palmer, one of Hammond's well known accountants, formerly connected with the Baker, Vawter & Wolf, of Chicago, has made connection with the Calumet Audit Company and will be in charge of their territory embracing Hammond, East Chicago, Whiting and Indiana Harbor.